**DEATH OF TRIBAL CHILDREN**

3496. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI : Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether tribal deaths due to mal-nutrition have occurred in Madhya Pradesh and other various tribal areas in the country;

(b) whether in the case of other tribal areas depriving of traditional livelihood and strict forest regulations have resulted in such deaths; and

(c) if so, whether any concrete proposals in this regard have been worked out so that tribal children do not die of malnutrition ?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI SITARAM KESRI) : (a) to (c)
The information is being collected from the State Governments]UTs.

**SUBMISSION OF REPORT UNDER THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF DR. GOPAL SINGH**

3497. SHRI MOHAMMED AFZAL alias MEEM AFZAL : Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Central Government had constituted a panel on minorities under the Chairmanship of late Dr. Gopal Singh;

(b) if so, whether the said panel had submitted its Report|Recommendations;

(c) whether the report had been accepted by Government and placed in the Parliament; and

(d) what is the status of the report submitted by Dr. Gopal Singh ?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI SITARAM KESRI) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) and (d) The report submitted by panel under the Chairmanship of Dr. Gopal Singh on Minorities on 14-6-1983 has been tabled in Rajya Sabha on 24-8-1990 and the Lok Sabha on 27-8-1990 alongwith the Statement showing the comments of the Government on the recommendations in the Report.

**ALLOCATION OF FUND TO MINORITIES TO MAULANA AZAD EDUCATION FUND**

3498. SHRI MOHAMMED AFZAL alias MEEM AFZAL : Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have allocated Rupees Five Crore for the Educational upliftment of minorities of 'Maulana Azad Educational Fund';

(b) if so, whether modalities for release of grant have been finalized;

(c) if so, what are the details' thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons for delay in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI SITARAM KESRI) : (a) The Central Govrnment have allocated Rs. Five crore to Maulana Azad Education Foundation, one of whose objectives j is to promote education amongst educa-tionally backward sections of society.

(b) to (d) The Government has advised j the Maulana Azad Education Foundation ! to amend its Memorandum of Association to enable it to utilise the amount.

**TRIBAL POPULATION IN RAJASTHAN**

3499. SHRI RAJENDRA PRASAD MODY : Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) what is the total tribal population in Rajasthan with percentage of the State's population and names of places of major concentration;